# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF MAY 19-25, 2024



## today - Pentecost

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We rejoice with Harper Jean Ruhman as she receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. We rejoice with Nora Minier as she receives her First Communion. We celebrate with Taylor Kinn & Kurtis Tirevold who were married on Saturday, May 18.

COMMUNION...Please let an usher know if you would prefer communion to be served to you in the pew.

ALTAR FLOWERS...Given by Diane Halvorson in remembrance of Rod Halvorson's birthday & in celebration of Syttende Mai (Norwegian Constitution Day). Also, flowers are given by Sandy & Ken Benson in recognition of Harper Jean Ruhmans's Baptism.

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

#### PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

#### ASSISTING:

8 AM Pr Mike Pancoast 9 AM Pr Sue Wallager 11 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

#### **READERS**:

8 AM Marty Gray 9 AM Bob Fischer 11 AM Sylvia Goldman

5 рм Judy Bendiske

#### THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS

- Carol Mann, in honor of Alex Holm's graduation from Dental School
- Gary & Linda Nelson
- Jan & Glenn Osmonson, in memory of Rod Halvorson

#### NEW MEMBER COFFEE/ORIENTATION

Today | 10 am | Legacy Room Please join us in a New Member Orientation led by Pastor Connie. Walk-ins welcome.

#### PRAYER TEAM 2

Today | 11:00 pm | Fireside Room

#### HELP CRAFT OUR ADULT ED EXPERIENCES FOR THE FALL

Pastor Mike has hit the ground running and is gearing up for a variety of Adult Ed opportunities for this fall and beyond. Opportunities include a variety of topics—Bible: Luther & BEING a Follower of Jesus in the Lutheran Way; Discipleship; Prayer; My Neighbors' Faith; and more! Please take a brief moment to take the survey linked to this QR code. Hardcopies of the survey are also available at the Welcome Desk! Thank you.



For safety reasons we kindly ask that parents and guardians attend to their children at all times in our church building.

Please silence your cell phone.

## Welcome Guests!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. To learn more about Zion please fill out the information below and give to an usher or pastor as you leave or place in the offering plate. Or use this QR code.→ Information bags are available at the Welcome Center on the lower level.



Name:	E-mail:		
Address:	Phone:		
l'm looking for a church home	☐ I wish to join Zion	Please have a pastor call me	Invite me to the New Member Orientation

## this week

#### **PASTORS**

Pastor Connie Tiede Interim Lead Pastor

Pastor Sue Wallager Pastor for Spiritual Care

Pastor Mike Pancoast Interim Associate Pastor

Ken Johnson Visitation Minister

Michael Busbey ELCA Missionary in Central America

Steve & Kim Blewett
Missionaries in
Papua, New Guinea

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## We welcome you exactly as God created you.

We worship God with everyone who chooses to participate, including the youngest of God's children who make noise to praise God in their own way. We find strength in our diversity, and strive to be united by our common humanity, while celebrating our differences.

We welcome people of all: races, ethnicities, back-grounds, generations, socio-economic status, political affiliations, physical and mental abilities; sexual orientations, gender identities, and their families.

All are welcome and encouraged to be involved in all aspects of our life together.

"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love."

1 John 4:7-8

Welcome Statement adopted by Zion's Church Council, October 2022

## MONDAY, MAY 20 **Open Pickleball**

2:30 PM | CLC

#### **TOPS**

5:30 pm | Fireside Room

#### **Divorce Care Group**

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

#### Scouts/Pack 233

6:30 pm | Various Rooms

#### **Stewardship Team Meeting**

6:30 pm | Library

## **Italy Trip Choir Rehearsal**

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

#### **Self-Defense Class**

8:15 PM | CLC

## TUESDAY, MAY 21

#### **Open Pickleball**

9:00 AM | CLC

#### **Ouilters**

9:00 AM | ART ROOM

#### **Church Council Meeting**

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

#### **Grief Support Group**

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

#### Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

#### **Stewardship Team Meeting**

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

#### THURSDAY, MAY 23

#### The Gathering

9:30 | Youth Room

#### **Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

## Fare for All

4:00 pm | Lower Commons

FRIDAY, MAY 24

## SATURDAY, MAY 25

**Traditional Worship Service** 

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

#### SUNDAY, MAY 26

#### **Traditional Worship Service**

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

#### **Blended Worship Service**

11:00 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

#### SUMMER CAMPS ARE FILLING UP!

- Family "Blessing Bus" VBS -For families with kids age 0-5 plus siblings; JUNE 9, 16 & 23 (SUNDAYS) 10-10:50 AM
- KidSing Jr. Kids age 3-7 JUNE 12, 19 & 26 (W) 9:30-10 AM AND JULY 17, 24 & 31 (W) 9:30-10 AM
- Zion Sports Camp Kids grades K-5;
   June 24-27 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON
- Pre-K "Blessing Bus" VBS Kids age 3-5;
   JULY 9-11 (T-TH) 9-11 AM
- K-5 "Blessing Bus" VBS Kids grades K-5; JULY 15-18 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON
- Camp Create It Kids grades K-5;
   JULY 29-Aug 1 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON
   Family Program (TH) 11:30 AM-NOON

To volunteer for any of these camps, contact Lee Neitge <a href="mailto:lneitge@zionanoka.org">lneitge@zionanoka.org</a> or Ann Campbell <a href="mailto:acampbell@zionanoka.org">acampbell@zionanoka.org</a>.

#### SUMMER STRETCH

Zion is partnering with Grace Lutheran in Andover for Summer Stretch! Students who have completed grades 4-8 are invited to join us on Thursdays during the summer for service projects (Feed my Starving Children, Global Health Ministries... etc.) and recreational activities (Urban Air, Bunker Beach...etc.) around the area. Register for all six Thursdays or just drop in - the choice is yours. High School students can also participate as a Junior Leader for a discounted price! Email <a href="mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org">kweiland@zionanoka.org</a> for more information.

#### **GIFT CARDS NEEDED**

Anoka Middle School is in need of gift cards (from Aldi, Cub, Walmart, etc.) for families in need. Denominations up to \$25 are requested. Please drop gifts cards off at the front desk no later than June 2. Thank you for your support.

## coming up

#### MEALS ON WHEELS -VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Zion's week to deliver meals is May 28-31. If you are interested in delivering meals, please contact Suzanne at sgaboury@zionanoka.org by May 20.

# GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES (GHM) WAREHOUSE TOUR

Mon, May 20 | 10:30 AM | OFFSITE You are invited to tour, hear stories and see photos of GHM impact in God's world. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Carpooling is encouraged. Questions? Contact Ron or Marty Gray at 763-427-1902.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Tues, May 21, 28  $\mid$  6:30 pm  $\mid$  Legacy Room All are welcome to the grief support group Tuesday evenings in May. The format is video presentations and small group discussion led by Pastor Sue Wallager.

#### "FARE FOR ALL" AT ZION

Thur, May 23 | 4 - 6 PM | Lower Commons Fare for All is a program that allows people in the community to come and shop for deeply discounted nutritious food. It is open to everyone and accepts CREDIT, DEBIT and EBT cards.

# ZION TO HOST FAMILY PROMISE DURING MAY

We are asked to provide kid-focused supplies and provide meals. If you can help by either purchasing items or donating money, make checks payable to Zion, writing "Family Promise" on the memo line. For more info contact Pat Stearns at pat.stearns@comcast.net.

#### JEST KIDDING

A mother was teaching her young son the Lord's Prayer when he found a special way to personalize it: "Our Father who art in heaven, Howard be thy name.."

#### ZION'S ANNUAL SUPER SALE

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 & FRIDAY, JUNE 7

- Donation Drop Off STARTS JUNE 2
- Volunteers Needed
  - Set up days: June 2-5 PM
  - Perk sale workers: June 5 | 5-6:30 pm
  - Sale days: June 6 | 9 Am-6 PM June 7 | 9 Am-12 PM
  - Clean up:

JUNE 7 | NOON TO COMPLETION Contact Bob Stearns 612-418-0618 or Pat Stearns 612-418-0617 for more info or sign up to help at the Welcome Desk.

# YOUTH VOLUNTEERS - JOIN THE Z-TEAM!

Thu, June 13 | 10-11:30 am

If you're in Grades 6-12, you're perfect for the Z-TEAM, a specially trained crew of young people serving kids at Zion! Choose from two training options. You'll learn simple but effective skills for leading younger kids and keeping them safe. Then, we'll deploy you to the summer day camps of your choice! This training also applies to youth serving with Sunday School and Whirl Wednesdays. Enlist now. For more info contact Ann Campbell at acampbell@zionanoka.org.

#### SUMMER SMALL GROUP STUDY

Weds, Jun 12, 26, Jul 17, 24, Aug 7, 14 | 10 -11 am or 7-8:30 pm

Join Pastor Mike Pancoast for a 6-week study, starting in June, on "Crazy Book: A Not-So Stuffy Dictionary of Biblical Terms". This book seeks to make the Bible even more accessible, and funny. Join us as we get to know the Bible and each other better. Sign up early (so we know how many books to order) at the Welcome Desk. Books will be \$20, available for purchase at the front desk before June 12.

#### **LIVE STREAM**

Sunday 9 & 11 am

www.zionanoka.org (click "Worship Online") or www.facebook.com/ ZionLutheranChurch AnokaMn

(Available anytime)

#### **CABLE TV**

Metro Cable Network Channel 6 SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

#### RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

#### HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

## HOME VISITS

If you would like a visit from one of our pastors or lay visitors, please call the office at 763-421-4656 and we will be happy to visit you.

## TEXT TO GIVE

With Vanco's GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to Zion using your smartphone. For more info call the church office between 9 AM & 5 PM.

# ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to:

https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday
or Scan this QR code



# growing in faith together

# UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

MAY 25/26 John 3:1-17

JUNE 1/2 Mark 2:23-3:6

JUNE 8/9 Mark 3:20-35

#### encouraging words

Start each day with encouraging words from Zion! Dial 763-506-8191 to hear a daily message of encouragement and hope.

#### prayer corner

Creator Spirit and Giver of life, make the dry, bleached bones of our lives live and breathe and grow again as you did of old. Pour out your Spirit upon the whole creation. Come in rushing wind and flashing fire to turn the sin and sorrow within us into faith, power, and delight. Amen.

#### prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, email it to <a href="mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org">swallager@zionanoka.org</a>.

**Lesson:** Acts 2:1-21

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

[Jesus said,] "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, the Advocate will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to the one who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send the Advocate to you. And having come, the Advocate will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, you will be guided into all the truth; for the Spirit will not speak out of the Spirit's own authority, but will speak whatever the Spirit hears, and will declare to you the things that are to come. The Spirit will glorify me, taking what is mine and declaring it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you."

#### BISHOP SVENNUNGSEN TO MEET WITH ZION

Sun, June 2 | 10-10:45 am | Sanctuary

As we progress on the search for our new Lead Pastor, ELCA Bishop Ann Svennungsen will come to Zion at to have a conversational meeting with the congregation about self-perceptions and perceived needs of the church. The main purpose of the Bishop's visit is to gain additional knowledge about Zion in order to assist the Call Committee in determining the best match for our congregation.

Meeting Agenda:

- 1. Introduction of the Bishop
- 2. Opening prayer
- 3. The Bishop will walk through the Ministerial Site Profile (MSP) with the congregation. Summarized copies of this document will be available at the meeting.
- 4. Questions and conversation with the Bishop

All members of Zion are welcome to attend this important meeting!

#### **REGISTER FOR ZION PRE-K!**

We are taking registrations for the 2024-25 school year. All 3-5 year olds welcome. Use QR code for more info. Share with your friends and family!



#### WELCOME

God is here for you, in the word and sacraments, in the love of this community.

#### **CONTACT**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon - Thu: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Fri: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

